

The [arrest of Haji Bashir Noorzai](#) is a major victory in the War on Terror and in our fight against heroin production.

[Noorzai](#) controlled a huge poppy-growing region in Afghanistan.

[As I testified last year](#)

before the International Relations Committee, Noorzai's organization supplied \$28 million to bin Laden lieutenants, acted as the Taliban's principal narcotics dealer and maintained large warehouses of opium in and around Kandahar. I applaud our law enforcement community for taking down the first Afghan drug kingpin. This sends a clear warning to other kingpins at large—you may be next.

